

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 549

By Crider

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Vera Jones on being honored as the Milan Chamber of Commerce 2004 Educator of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Vera Jones is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Jones has recently been honored as the Milan Chamber of Commerce 2004 Educator of the Year; and

WHEREAS, currently the Supervisor of Instruction and Director of Title I and Early Childhood programs at Milan Elementary School, Mrs. Vera Jones has served with acumen and alacrity as an educator since 1968, when she began her teaching career at Pope Elementary School in Jackson; and

WHEREAS, after teaching first grade at Gibson Elementary and Bradford, Mrs. Jones began her illustrious career with the Milan school system in 1978, serving as a classroom teacher until 1991 when she moved into administration; and

WHEREAS, Vera Jones is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, she truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, Vera Jones is most appreciative of the love and support of her husband, Bobby Jones, and her two children, Andy Jones and Robin Lamb; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Vera Jones truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated educator who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Mrs. Vera Jones on being honored as the Milan Chamber of Commerce 2004 Educator of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.